

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐  
no ☐

Property Name: Masonry Box Culvert B Inventory Number: 8 BA- 3102

Address: CSXT Milepost BAA 5.1; HDR Sta. 652+00 City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: 21227

County: Baltimore USGS Topographic Map: Relay

Owner: CSX Transportation Is the property being evaluated a district? no

Tax Parcel Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Map Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Account ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Project: CSXT Capital Subdivision Improvements Agency: Federal Transit Administration

Site visit by MHT staff: X no ☐ yes ☐ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the property located within a historic district? ☐ yes ☒ no

*If the property is within a district* District Inventory Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
NR-listed district ☐ yes Eligible district ☐ yes Name of District: \_\_\_\_\_  
Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ☐ yes ☐ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ☐ yes

*If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)* Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible ☐ yes ☒ no

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in:

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

This unmortared masonry culvert drains an unnamed stream crossing the former Baltimore and Ohio Railroad's Main Line. Originally a 3' x 4' drainageway, the interior of the culvert appears to have partially collapsed.

Although CSX Transportation is unable to locate historic records pertaining to this structure, the use of unmortared, rough-faced granite suggests a construction date between 1829-30, during the original construction of the B&O's Main Line.

Possibly designed by Benjamin H. Latrobe, Jr., the masonry culvert is associated with the building of the earliest common carrier railroad lines in the United States, representing the technology used to drain the B&O's track bed. Based on investigation of a similar culvert (Masonry Box Culvert E; Inventory Number 17), the ceiling of this culvert may contain original masonry railroad ties from the B&O's construction of its Main Line in 1829-1830. Nevertheless, a better-preserved example of this type of culvert construction can be found at Culvert E. Masonry Box Culvert B is not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

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**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW**

Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended ☐

Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

MHT Comments: Retains sufficient integrity to reflect association and type.

Andrew Lewis  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

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Reviewer, NR Program

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Figure 1: Masonry Box Culvert B, looking southeast.

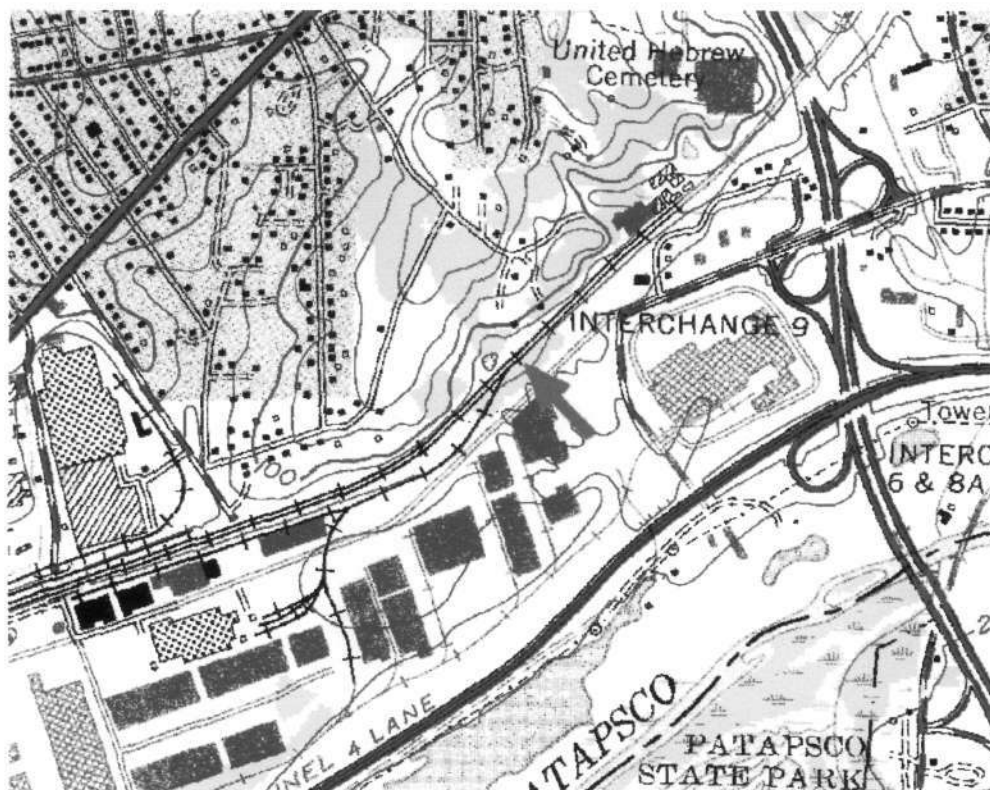


Figure 2: USGS Relay 7.5' Quadrangle Map showing property location.



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MASONRY BOX CULVERT B

DOE # 8

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